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Engineering Team Selected Boeing's Outstanding Educator

A team of educators from the Clark School of Engineering has been selected to receive the prestigious 1996 Boeing Outstanding Educator Award. As the winner, the university and team members will share a \$50,000 award.

The Boeing Outstanding Educator Award recognizes engineering educators who have made exceptional contributions to improving undergraduate engineering education.

The contributions of these educators, which are often adopted by other schools, help to turn today's undergraduates into well-grounded and well-rounded engineers.

The university's team was recognized for its efforts to transform undergraduate engineering education by combining the traditional technical core with significant exposure to product design, testing, manufacturing, teaming issues and business concerns associated with product development.

"We are both delighted and proud to receive this major national award which further validates the direction engineering education is moving at Maryland," said William Destler, dean of the engineering school.

"The teaching of engineering must change to meet today's and tomorrow's demands, and the Boeing award is an important marker in recognizing and rewarding that change."

Nationally, teams from 31 schools were nominated for the award. The field was then narrowed to three finalists, with each team visited by the judging team for an in-depth examination of their work.

Besides Maryland, the other finalists were teams from the University of Colorado and Washington State University.

Competing teams are graded on improvements in attributes of graduating engineering students resulting from the team's work. Each team also has to provide evidence of long-term, pervasive approaches

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Hillary Clinton Draws Record Commencement Crowd

First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton did for Commencement what even well-known comedian and former Commencement speaker Bill Cosby couldn't do. She filled the house.

At the university's 216th Commencement ceremonies on May 23, Cole Field House was packed with students, faculty, proud parents and other guests eager to see Clinton and hear her address the graduating class.

In addition to 2,200 graduates, some 300 faculty also participated, many of them for the first time. With the record turnout, both students and faculty were forced to sit in the reserved seating area in Section A. Even the "obstructed view" seats behind the podium were filled.

And judging by the flashing cameras and the cheering crowd, which rose to its feet to catch a glimpse of Clinton as she processed with the platform party, she did not disappoint.

In her address, Clinton urged the graduates not to reject government and politics.

"Politics is about more than pundits and pollsters, just as government is about more than buildings and bureaucrats," said Clinton. "Politics with a small 'p' is the process that brings us together peaceably to work toward common ends."

Clinton drew applause and laughter—and poked fun at her ever-changing hair style—when she encouraged the students to reject stereotypes.

"You know the kind of stereotypes I'm talking about: If you're under 25,

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First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton addressed May graduates at Commencement.

Commencement Airs on C-SPAN, Available on Video

For those who missed it — or want to relive the morning—First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's commencement address will be broadcast on C-SPAN, the public affairs cable channel, this Saturday, June 22, from 11 to 11:30 p.m.

The address will be part of "American Perspectives," a 3-hour block of programs featuring author James Stewart on his book *Bloodsport and the Whitewater Inquiry* (9:15 p.m.), and commencement addresses by columnist

Nora Ephron at Wellesley College (10 p.m.); Texas Gov. George Bush, Jr., at the University of Texas - Austin (10:30 p.m.); and Dan and Marilyn Quayle at Lehigh University (11:30 p.m.).

VHS tapes of the commencement ceremony are available from The Flagship Channel in a two-hour version, as broadcast, for \$37, and a three-hour version including the full processional for \$52.

To order, call The Flagship Channel at 405-3610.

Colin Powell Speech to Inaugurate Brody Forum



Gen. Colin Powell

The School of Public Affairs launches a new high-powered public policy lecture series on June 26 with General Colin L. Powell as the inaugural speaker.

With the support of a \$500,000 gift from the Norman and Florence Brody Family Foundation, the series will be known as the Brody Public Policy Forum. It will annually offer up to four lectures or debates on issues of national or international importance, including several forums focused on issues related to Judaism.

General Powell, former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in the administrations of George Bush and Bill Clinton, continues to be one of America's most respected public leaders. He will speak on "Management of Crisis and Change" at the 8 p.m. event,

to be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Stamp Student Union.

Nearly 1,000 invited guests are expected to attend the inaugural forum, which is not open to the public. Most future presentations, however, will be open to the public.

Susan Schwab, dean of the School of Public Affairs, says this forum will make it possible for a dynamic, but relatively small, school to make an important contribution to the public dialogue on issues that shape the national policy agenda. In a region that thrives on discourse, this forum will provide a platform for national opinion leaders to debate and discuss topics as diverse as the role of religion in American politics and the influence of the media in public policy

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Gildenhorns Give \$2 Million for Arts Center, Recital Hall to be Named in their Honor

The university is the recipient of the first leadership gift of \$2 million for the new Maryland Center for the Performing Arts. The gift commitment of former United States Ambassador to Switzerland Joseph Gildenhorn and his wife Alma was announced by Pres. William E. Kirwan during the commencement ceremony. Ambassador Gildenhorn was presented with the Alumni Association's 1996 Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Kirwan announced that the recital hall in the new center will be named the Joseph and Alma Gildenhorn Recital Hall in recognition of their generosity. "We are deeply grateful for the Gildenhorn's magnificent gift which will help ensure the future success of the Maryland Center for the Performing Arts and will bring tremendous honor to the university as a result of their legacy. This is yet another demonstration of their deep affection for their alma mater," Kirwan said.

Joseph Gildenhorn's career typifies a man with close ties to his family and community. After graduating in 1951 from the University of Maryland with a degree in business administration, he went to the Yale Law School and has been mixing law and business to his advantage ever since. In 1959, along with some high school friends, he founded a law practice in Washington, D.C., specializing in corporate law and real estate.

In the late 1960s, he and his partners formed a real estate firm. The JBG Companies have grown to offer comprehensive real estate development, property management, consulting and investment services. Their management portfolio encompasses more than 8 million square feet of commercial property as well as 3,000 residential apartments. Gildenhorn serves on the boards of several major public corporations and is chairman of the Franklin National Bank.

Alma Gildenhorn graduated with a degree in education from the university in 1953. She was recognized as a distinguished alumna during the College of Education's recent 75th anniversary, when she was awarded a medal in recognition of her many accomplishments. She is one of the nation's leading volunteers for the advancement of the performing arts.

President Reagan appointed her as a trustee of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. She has been instrumental in raising millions of dollars in support of the center's programs. Most recently, while serving as interim co-chair of the Kennedy Center, she headed the search committee for a new chair who was named this month. She continues to serve as co-vice-chair of the center.

Her leadership skills were developed during her student days at Maryland. She was president of the Women's League, served on the council of the Student Government Association, was a member of the Mortar Board, and was inducted into Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Alpha Theta and Alpha Lambda Delta, all national honor societies.

Staying close to their roots in the greater Washington area, the Gildenhorns have been active in civic and charitable organizations in the Jewish community for many years. Previous philanthropic support by the Gildenhorns to the University of Maryland includes an endowed, full-support regents scholarship fund for exceptional students who are financially needy.

In 1989 Mr. Gildenhorn was named by President Bush to the post of U.S. ambassador to Switzerland where he served for four years. The Gildenhorns live in Washington, D.C. and are actively involved in the business, cultural and civic life of the area.

Markley Named Acting Provost

Nelson Markley will serve as acting vice president for academic affairs and provost beginning July 1. Pres. William E. Kirwan recently announced Markley's appointment, noting that he will remain in the position until a new provost is appointed.

Daniel Fallon, the current provost, is stepping down to teach and conduct research in the School of Public Affairs. Kirwan credits Fallon with seeing the campus through "what has possibly been one of the most critical and exciting developmental stages in its history."



Fallon's "keen insights, extraordinary intellect and clear focus," Kirwan says, "have been an important force behind initiatives moving us to a new level of stature in higher education."

Markley has been working in the Office of Academic Affairs as acting associate vice president since January 1995. While he has been responsible for a wide range of activities, Markley will now have the responsibility, says Kirwan, for directing all facets of the office on a full-time basis.

"Nelson is widely known for his excellent leadership in the development of the new structure for the honors program at College Park," says Kirwan.

An administrator with a broad campus vision, says Kirwan, Markley has served as chair of the mathematics department and as president of the cam-

pus chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

Markley also has served as chair of the Graduate Council Committee on Fellowships where he was instrumental in setting up the campus-wide fellowship program and the Graduate School Post-doctoral Fellowships for African Americans.

Engineering Wins Boeing Award

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to improving the educational process and the extent to which those improvements have become institutionalized.

Elements of the Maryland engineering program that contributed to the selection of its team included a restructuring of the course sequence, giving design and manufacturing experience to first-year engineering students.

Also, the team led the modification of the teaching environment from large lecture classes to small classes taught by instructors who coach more than lecture. Finally, the team

was cited for joining with corporate partners such as Black & Decker and Toro to develop courses that give students in-depth experience in designing, manufacturing and marketing an existing product (as with Black & Decker) or dealing with a real-world problem (as with Toro).

Of the \$50,000 total award, \$5,000 will be awarded to the winning team and \$20,000 will be given as an unrestricted grant to further the team's programs. An additional \$25,000 grant will be made to the engineering school for ongoing support of educational improvement.

Outlook Welcomes New Assistant Editor

On May 28, Outlook happily welcomed Tracey Logsdon as the new assistant editor.

As "co-producer" of the weekly faculty-staff newspaper, she will assist with all aspects of the publication, doing everything from writing and editing news and feature stories to using her desktop publishing skills for design and layout.

She replaces Janet Chismar, who served as assistant editor for nearly two years before accepting a position as a media relations specialist in the University Relations office.

For Logsdon, a May 1996 graduate of the university with a B.A. in journalism, working for Outlook is practically old hat.

From January through September, 1995, she wrote news and feature stories, compiled news briefs and lent her proofreading skills to Outlook as an editorial intern.

She also perfected her talents work-



Tracey Logsdon

ing with the student newspaper, The Diamondback. In addition to providing general assignment reporting, she served as a news editor and wire editor over a period of 18 months.

In her role as a news editor, from April 1995 to May 1996, Logsdon supervised a staff of beat reporters and general assignment reporters on stories involving the campus, College Park and Prince George's County.

As summer news editor, in 1995, she managed reporters covering campus and community news.

And, if you don't recognize her name—or byline—from her days at Outlook and The Diamondback, her face may be familiar to those of you who have seen her perform with the Marching Band and basketball Pep Band over the past four years.

The new alumna, who originally hails from Cumberland, is quickly settling into her role as assistant editor. Many of you will be seeing her or hearing from her soon.

Logsdon's office is located in Room 2101 R of the Turner Building and her phone number is 405-7615.

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Business Dean William Mayer Resigning Post

William Mayer has announced his resignation as dean of the College of Business and Management.

Mayer, who has held the position of dean since 1992, says he will step down as soon as a successor is found, but no later than June 30, 1997.

In a letter to business school faculty, Mayer said that although he is leaving his current position, he will continue to be involved with the campus.

He has agreed to serve on Pres. William E. Kirwan's Board of Visitors and will remain active on the business school's Board of Advisors and the board of the University of Maryland Foundation.

"I look forward to serving the school and the university for many years to come," he said.

Mayer received both his bachelor's and MBA degree from the university.

"It has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve my alma mater and it is exciting to be a part of the team that is realizing College Park's potential."

Though he is happy to be part of the faculty and staff who have brought national acclaim to the college, "I believe now is the right time to build on our achievements by bringing new leadership to the business school to carry it to the next level," he said.

To Our Readers:

In order to provide full coverage of the Board of Regents' July 12 vote regarding domestic partner benefits, the next issue of Outlook will be published on Wednesday, July 17. This will be the last issue of the summer. Deadline for all submissions will be Friday, July 5. Weekly publication resumes in September.

In the May 7 issue, one of the photos accompanying the story on OMSE mentors incorrectly identified Dean Robert Hampton. Cordell Black, assistant vice president for academic affairs, was pictured.

Engineering's Berman to Retire After 22 Years

Marilyn Berman, associate dean of the Clark School of Engineering, is retiring from the university on June 30.

Berman, who has been associate dean since 1988, is responsible for undergraduate student affairs and general administration. But she is best known for her pioneering work in the areas of teaching, counseling and research to encourage returning older students, primarily mature married women, to pursue their education. Along these lines, she has done innovative work in the area of increasing opportunities for women and minorities in engineering.

Berman returned to graduate school in 1969 after obtaining a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Brooklyn College. In the 13-year interval, she married and moved to the Washington, D.C., area.

Prior to working at the university,

Berman was a student, earning her master's in counseling and personnel services degree in 1973 and her Ph.D. in higher education administration in 1979.

Berman has been successful in bringing to the campus a number of grants for attracting and retaining women and minority engineering students. She has presented her research on the older returning woman student and on women and minorities in engineering at numerous national conferences, and has published journal articles in these areas.

In 1991, Berman was named Outstanding Woman of the Year at College Park. She was awarded a Fulbright Study Grant for study in Germany in 1995, and in 1996 was elected as a Fellow of the American Society for Engineering Education.

An endowed fund has been established in the Clark School of Engineering in honor of Berman. Anyone wishing to



Marilyn Berman

make a contribution to the Marilyn R. Berman Scholarship Fund should call Sue Hickes at 405-3870.

Women in Engineering Program Recognized

With just one year under its belt, the Women in Engineering (WIE) program will be recognized for its efforts to improve the educational environment for undergraduate and graduate female engineering students.

The Women in Engineering Program Advocates Network (WEPAN) recently awarded its Women in Engineering Award to the campus program at the annual convention in Denver. The WIE program was formalized with a grant from the Sloan Foundation in the spring of 1994.

Maryland's WIE program has focused on recruiting and retaining undergraduate and graduate women to the field on engineering with more than 30 research and 25 teaching fellowships, a professional mentoring program, two precollege

summer programs, an engineering curriculum transformation project and a regular newsletter.

Morris is very pleased with the progress her program has achieved in such a short lifespan. "I'm very happy with the direction our set of programs and initiatives has taken," she said. "We're comprehensive and we do a quality job, making sure to evaluate all the programs to ensure their effectiveness."

In its citation, WEPAN states that in one year with limited resources, the campus program "has already made significant strides in developing institutional structures and initiatives that ensure a supportive educational environment for all undergraduate and graduate women in engineering."

Campus Gets New Telephone Exchange

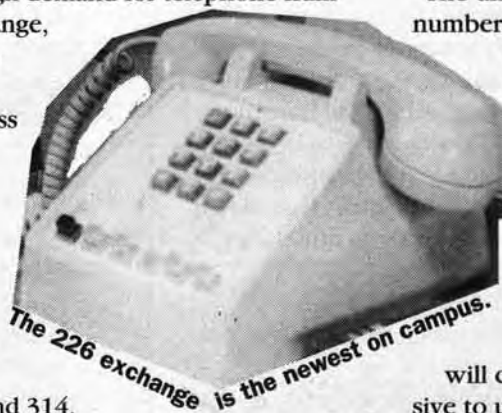
There's a new number on campus and it's 226.

Those three digits soon will become as familiar to faculty, staff and students as 405 and 314.

Due to the university's high demand for telephone numbers, a new telephone exchange, 226, has been acquired, says Jonathan Rood, director of Communications and Business Services. And with the exchange come a host of new telephone numbers.

With the implementation of the university's telecommunications system in 1990, says Rood, the university acquired two telephone exchanges, 405 and 314.

At that time, the university required use of 15,000 of the 20,000 telephone numbers available. But over the past six years, telecommunications needs have grown, he says.



"Increased use of devices such as facsimile machines and modems as well as additional students and staff have created a significant demand for telephone numbers," says Rood. "The university has depleted its supply of available telephone numbers in the 405 and 314 exchanges."

Rood assures faculty, staff and students that telephone numbers assigned from the 226 exchange will have the same feature as telephone numbers from the 405 and 314 exchanges.

All telephone numbers which are part of the university's telephone system can be reached by dialing the last five digits of the telephone number. For example, any telephone on campus can reach 226-1234 by dialing 6-1234.

Telecommunications services, says Rood, will continue to assign telephone numbers to be responsive to unique needs.

For departments with high telephone contact and listings in the Bell Atlantic Telephone Directory, special attention will be given to number assignments in order to be consistent with the university identity.

Women's Lacrosse Wins Final

At the end of the season, Maryland lacrosse is 1-1 in the championship column.

The women's team became the first team ever to win its second straight NCAA Division I women's lacrosse title, beating Virginia 10-5 last month at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa.

Led by all-American center Kelly Amonte, the Terps ended their undefeated season at 19-0 and extended their NCAA-record winning streak to 36 games.

"This really culminates a great 1996 season as well as ... capping off a great career for all the seniors," women's coach Cindy Timchal said.

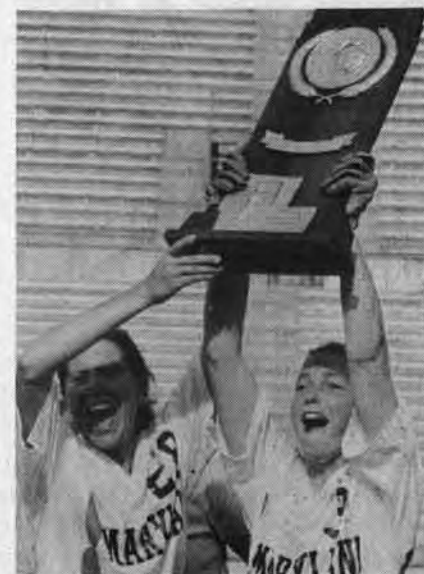
Maryland is also the first women's lacrosse team to win four championships.

The men's team suffered a heartbreaking loss May 19 in the quarterfinals to rival Johns Hopkins 9-7 at Hopkins' home field in Baltimore, after a strong comeback in the second half.

Going into the game, Maryland was seeded second in the nation, and Hopkins was seventh.

The men's team beat Hopkins 16-8 last year in the semifinal game.

—LOREN GOLOSKI



Players hoist their victory trophy.

1996 Legislative Session Leaves Maryland in Good Standing

When the 1996 legislative session ended April 18, the university fared very well.

The General Assembly approved Gov. Parris Glendening's recommended allocation of \$245 million to the institution's operating budget, although all state agencies, including the university, will have to return a small amount of money to the state to compensate for a higher turnover expectancy rate. The allocation represents a 1.75 percent increase in the university's budget.

The university received more than \$54 million to fund capital projects. The state's largest investment, more than \$40 million, was in the forthcoming Maryland Center for the Performing Arts. The remaining money will fund improvement projects throughout the university.

The General Assembly called for several reports and passed several pieces of legislation this session which were of particular importance to the university.

Of the eight legislatively mandated reports of interest to the university, three could have major effects on the institution's future. The first asks the University of Maryland System to submit a report by Oct. 1, on how they have maintained and enhanced the university in the four-year funding plan.

The second asks the Department of Fiscal Services to prepare a report by Nov. 1, on the System's progress in

meeting the goals of the 1988 legislation as it relates to the funding on the university.

The third asks the System to prepare a report by Dec. 1, on suggested name changes throughout the system that would avoid confusion of institutional identities.

Several pieces of legislation passed this session affecting the university, including the Public-Private Partnership Act. This bill further defines state ethics laws with regard to partnerships between faculty and private corporations.

Similar legislation that passed in 1992 allowed faculty members to bypass ethics laws but still required them to disclose conflicts of interest. However, the 1992 law did not include provisions for faculty with policy or management responsibilities, including university presidents. The new law now broadens the exemption for all faculty members, including university presidents.

Although some state agency employees, including higher education, were exempted from the legislation, the General Assembly passed an early retirement incentive plan for state employees who are eligible for retirement, over age 50 or have 25 or more years of service. The bill also provides one year of subsidized health insurance for all employees terminated through

budget cuts.

Recognizing the importance to the university community, Pres. William E. Kirwan has taken a leadership role in chairing a systemwide task force on early retirement.

The task force will craft an early retirement incentive plan attractive to both faculty and non-faculty employees. The early retirement plan will be considered during the 1997 legislative session.

In addition, the university was successful in getting three procurement bills passed this session which will enhance the university's purchasing authority and remove certain procedural complexities. One bill allows the university to purchase equipment and furnishings financed through capital construction projects without the direct involvement of the state's Department of General Services. A second bill re-established normal and appropriate business relations with vendors. The third bill increased the cap on small purchases from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

Another bill, HB 45, repealed legislation that formerly prohibited investment in or procurement of South African products with higher education funds.

Several bills involving the university were proposed but failed:

- HB 75 would have granted financial assistance to former scholarship

athletes returning to certain universities under certain circumstances.

- HB 350 would have established collective bargaining rights for certain state employees; prohibiting strikes, lockouts and unfair labor practices.

- HB 930 would have required each unit of state government to install a toll free phone system.

- HB 992, proposed by Del. James Rosapepe (D-Prince George's) and students from this campus's Student Government Association, would have placed a cap on tuition and fees. The amount would be limited to the inflation rate for the previous calendar year.

- SB 371 would have required institutions to conduct criminal background checks for resident students at public higher education institutions with a previous conviction.

In addition to the passed bills, the system will also consider a policy which would create a tuition assistance reimbursement program for members of the Maryland National Guard at certain state institutions.

The Maryland Higher Education Commission will conduct a study to determine how long it takes to earn a degree and come up with possible incentives and strategies that could shorten the length of time.

— TRACEY LOGSDON

Maryland Charts Measurable Progress in Wake of Bias Tragedy

A decade has passed since the tragic death of Maryland basketball great Len Bias. On June 19, 1986, one day after the Boston Celtics selected him in the first round of the NBA draft, Bias was found dead from a cocaine overdose.

The university will not be commemorating the anniversary, but Pres. William E. Kirwan recently held a press briefing at which he outlined the progress both the university and the athletic department have made during the intervening years.

"It's important not to focus only on athletics, but on academics," said Kirwan, of the past decade. "The past

10 years have been a period of tremendous change for the university."

Kirwan acknowledged that the Len Bias incident and all the publicity surrounding it "accelerated" changes that have taken place.

The tragedy served as a catalyst, said Kirwan, "but I think the changes would have occurred anyway." The university, he noted, was "on a course to become, academically, an institution of much higher quality. I'm confident that would have driven reforms in our athletic programs."

Kirwan cited two events which caused "a remarkable change in the academic quality of the University of Maryland." First was the decision during the 1985-86 school year to raise admission standards of the university and decrease the size of the student body by 20 percent over a period of four or five years. Enrollment went from 30,000 to 24,000 during that period.

The second event was the 1988 reorganization of higher education in Maryland in which the university was declared the flagship campus for the new UM System.

After Bias's death, then-Chancellor John Slaughter appointed two commissions—one that looked at issues related to the physical well-being of student athletes, the other charged with addressing academic issues such as admissions, retention and academic support of student athletes.

Both commissions issued "significant reports," said Kirwan, "which the university has embraced." The admissions process was made more rigorous and is more stringent than NCAA guidelines, the number of specially admitted ath-

letes was reduced from 48 to 21 each year, and a formal tutoring program (there are 60 tutors) was established.

In addition, the university's drug testing program has been made more com-

Also on the plus side, the athletic department balanced its budget in FY 95 for the first time in 10 years. Athletic director Debbie Yow said the budget is projected to balance again this fiscal



Len Bias, plays in a 1985 game in Cole.

THEN AND NOW: Academic Markers of Progress

	1986	1995
Freshman Class:		
SAT Scores of 1,400 and Above	112	192
Average SAT Scores	1,025	1,111
Percent in Honors Programs	5.8	31
Percent with AP Credit	12	33
Percent Minority	24.3	35.4
Percent African American	12.3	15.7
Endowment (in millions)	\$16.4	\$97.6
Student/Faculty Ratio	18.3/1	13.1/1
National Academy of Sciences Members	1	14
Competitively Funded Projects (in millions)	\$64.5	\$117.1
Athletes Named to ACC Honor Roll	81	120

prehensive. Ironically, at the time of Bias's death, the university was one of only a few that actually had some type of drug-testing program in place.

Since the changes have been implemented, says Kirwan, the university can boast of a graduation rate of student athletes that is 2 percent higher than that of the university's overall graduation rate. The rate for student athletes rose from 55 percent in 1991 to 68 percent in 1995.

Since 1986, the university implemented a program for former athletes wishing to return and earn their degree. And private donations have risen from \$8.5 million in 1986 to \$41.1 million in 1995.

year. Also, she said, a \$500,000 payment is scheduled to be made toward the \$6.8 million accumulated debt.

"It looks like we'll be able to eradicate that operating debt over a seven-year period," said Yow.

As Betty Smith, professor and chair of the Athletics Council for the past 10 years noted at the press briefing, "A drug incident like this could have happened at any other institution around the country, but it happened to happen at Maryland. It forced us to do a lot of things before other universities. We moved forward more rapidly."

—JENNIFER HAWES



Campus Champions of Ethnic Minority Issues

Pictured are the winners of the 1996 President's Commission on Ethnic Minority Issues Awards: Kevin Stephen, undergraduate student; Sylvester Gates Jr., professor of physics; Charles Christian, associate professor of geography; Mattie Riley, coordinator of educational programs for the Institute for Systems Research; Linda Gambrell, accepting for Willis Hawley, dean of the College of Education; Fuller Ming, information systems manager, Dining Services; and Mary Cothran, director of the Office of Multi-Ethnic Student Education. Commission chair Janet Helms, pictured far right, presented the awards along with Pres. William E. Kirwan.

Conference Fosters Interaction among African American Academics

Two campus employees were honored last month at the annual Conference for African Americans in Higher Education, sponsored by the Black Faculty and Staff Association. Psychology professor Janet Helms was cited as the national honoree and Bobbie Lee, a secretary in the Office of Multi-Ethnic Student Education was named the campus honoree.

Helms and Lee were two of four people honored for their contributions to the advancement of African Americans in higher education. State Delegate Joanne Benson and Coppin State College math professor Genevieve Knight were recognized as the conference's state honorees.

The conference, titled "Shaping Our Own Destiny: Beyond the Contract with America," fostered interaction among the nation's black academics, analysts, activists and other higher education professionals. It was conceptualized by BFSA to help protect the interests of African Americans in the academic community in light of continuing attacks on affirmative action.

More than 200 people attended the conference, according to coordinator Erytheia Lambert. "Everything went very smoothly from a logistics standpoint, due in large part to the team of chairs I had working with me," Lambert said.

"People were very impressed with the general session. They felt that the keynote speeches really expressed the theme of the conference."

Civil rights activist Julian Bond was the event's general session keynote speaker. Bond offered a historical perspective on the quest for civil rights and economic justice.

"Julian Bond was very entertaining. He gave us a history lesson of race relations in the '60s when he worked with Dr. [Martin Luther] King and also a perspective of race relations now," Lambert said.

"He challenged participants not to sit on the sidelines, but get involved with making changes in race relations, including affirmative action," Lambert said.

Katrina Hazzard-Donald, a sociologist

studying dance forms of the African diaspora, was the keynote speaker for the morning session. Patrice Gaines, a Washington Post reporter who once had to convince the newspaper to overlook her prison record when making hiring decisions, was the luncheon speaker.

The conference included three interest sessions with topics including Strategies for addressing cultural racism, reflections on the Million Man March and Strong Black Women: Help or Hindrance?

BFSA president Paul Taylor was pleased with the good turnout, effective workshops of the conference and especially the award winners.

"We nominate people who have made nationwide impact, but still have affected this community," he says. "Just because we see them every day, we tend to forget that this university has people who are nationally and internationally recognized."

Helms was honored for her research on black and white racial identity. She is also recognized as an outstanding mentor. She was the first recipient of Columbia University's Award for Research and Mentoring, a national award named in her honor.

She has authored or co-authored more than 50 articles and book chapters on the topics of race, culture, gender and personality development. In addition, Helms is the author of *Black and White Racial Identity: Theory, Research and Practice* and *A Race is a Nice Thing to Have*, which is billed as a "self-help book for white people."

Helms is a member of the Association of Black Psychologists and a licensed practitioner of psychology in Washington, D.C., and Maryland.

As OMSE's office secretary, Lee is never too busy for students. She believes that the best way to achieve diversity on campus is to care about and respect students.

She is a member of the President's Commission on Women's Issues, the Retention 2000 Conference Planning Committee and the Classified Issues committee.

MHEC Plan Intended to Address Higher Education Climate

The state's higher education commission will be coming out with an issues paper to solicit responses for a new plan for post-secondary education. The plan is intended to address the new climate in higher education in light of fewer available funds and greater demands on universities, higher education secretary Pat Florestano said in an address to the College Park Senate last month.

The Maryland Higher Education Commission intends for this plan to address funding, the role of the state's historically black campuses, accountability for performance and remediation issues.

The really central issue now, though, is money, Florestano said.

"There simply isn't enough money to do all that we want to do," she said. Although funding for higher education was increased in the last state budget, ways to control costs and better ways to apply technology must be considered.

"We have to be willing to do a lot better management" of the state's educational institutions, she said.

Florestano also emphasized the need for the university to find solutions to problems and to be accountable for itself so that politicians will be less tempted to get involved in the workings of the school.

"We have to offer solutions ourselves" instead of having politicians do so, she said.

Later, in response to a senator's concern about the many demands on professors from various sources, Florestano said, "It is not unreasonable for us to be accountable," particularly with regard to how well students are taught and how the university manages its money.

During a more humorous moment in the secretary's address, she commented on the university employing "expensive, well-trained, good people" for its faculty. One of the meeting's participants corrected Florestano. "Cheap, well-trained, good people," he said. "We're not expensive."

Florestano also mentioned increasing tuition as a central funding issue. She referred to two reports on the high cost of college education presented in *Newsweek* magazine and the *Philadelphia Inquirer*. Although Florestano had problems with the *Inquirer's* figures, she did admit that it gave the issue broad coverage.

Although Florestano noted that rising educational costs have brought increases in services, raising tuition is not a desirable way to increase university funds, because it has the potential to keep students out of college for financial reasons.

Other issues to be addressed by the upcoming commission report are minority issues in light of recent court decisions, how to provide answers to state officials regarding performance levels and how students are being served, and the cost and location of remedial work performed in the University of Maryland System.

Remediation was a chief topic during the question-and-answer period, as some senators spoke of the problem with transfer students coming to the university without the essential knowledge needed to function here.

Florestano mentioned earlier in her address that according to a study, most of the remedial work done in the state system takes place at two-year schools. But in response to questions from the audience, she said that the issue of unprepared students coming here may be one that needs to be approached, and that the state will try to keep improving the quality of transfers.

An alumna and former lobbyist for the university, Florestano has developed a good rapport with the school. Pres. William E. Kirwan, who introduced her at the Senate meeting, mentioned the "wonderful air of cooperation" Florestano has brought to her position.

The issues paper is available on the World Wide Web at: <http://www.ubalt.edu/www/magc>. A printed version is expected soon.

—LOREN GOLOSKI



Professional Writing Awards

The Professional Writing Program hosted its ninth annual writing contest last May. The winners, selected from 40 entries in advanced composition and technical writing categories, are: Jason Weyant and William Harrison Jr., front row; Mary Oxendine, Randolph Bishop, Belinda Burke and Mark Farinas, second row; and Roger Longenbach, Elena Novaco, Jackie Falls and Adam Weber, third row.

CPS Faculty Step Out From Behind Lecterns, Step Up Education

Graduates of today's colleges and universities have to live, learn, collaborate and adapt in the Information Age, where it is no longer enough to memorize, regurgitate and graduate.

The faculty of the College Park Scholars program is adapting to these changing demands by stepping out from behind the lectern and taking their students into the world, the classroom at large. From the political arena of Capitol Hill to the marine environment of Central America, CPS students have participated in active learning integrating the classroom and the real world.

Students are initially exposed to various topics in their chosen theme areas through weekly colloquia. But secondary source, textbook style information is not the only way CPS students gain knowledge—faculty members use field trips to take them directly to primary sources for first-person encounters.

Having attended a colloquia about the disappearing Mayan Indians, moderated by associate agricultural engineering professor Pat Kangas, students then explored the ruins of this disappearing race themselves during a trip to Belize.

"After the students were introduced to different aspects of the Mayan race in various colloquia, it was important for them to see the real thing," says faculty director Lee Hellman.

"Belize was a convenient place to go because of the forest river and coral reef snorkeling opportunities and because the river systems provide an excellent place to observe the impact of humans in a natural habitat," he says.

On this trip, Life Science scholars learned research and experiment formulation skills in a nontraditional laboratory—Belize's Sittee River. Hellman

and his students spent three days exploring and conducting research on many topics, from the defensive behavior of fish to land crab distribution in relation to forest habitat.

Students conducted their experiments while snorkeling in the river. Back on campus, they included their findings as part of their semester research papers.

Hellman is planning a trip to Brazil as a follow-up to his students' coursework on tropical rainforests and endangered species. Last semester, they got a behind-the-scenes look at the National Zoo's jungle boot camp for Golden Lion Tamarin monkeys. Next summer they will be witnessing their lectures in action in the Amazon rain forest.

The Life Science program is not the only CPS program that offers such experiential learning opportunities.

The Science, Technology and Society (STS) scholars participate in an uncommon opportunity called the Invention Discovery Internship. During this credit internship, students use an "invention kit" to inventory the history of inventions, from the hydrogen recombiner to the Q-tip. This internship allows students to work alongside professional historians, archivists and artists from the Smithsonian Institution.

By participating in this project, students made an authentic contribution to the Smithsonian's "Invention Discovery Kits" to be used by public schools and education groups in the History of Technology section of the National Museum of Natural History.

Internships working with the World Wide Web are another opportunity that provides real-world involvement for STS scholars.

"Students participating in 'Webship' learn how to use Hypertext Mark-up



CPS students Alex Parlani and Jeff Gartner display some of Belize's natural treasures.

Language to create, program and implement a website for a Maryland-based not-for-profit organization," says Chuck Striffler, faculty director of the STS program. Students are mentored by university faculty from the Computer Science Center, including Chad McDaniel, director of the academic software development group.

International Studies scholars, under the direction of Joey Hewitt and Lois Vietri, visited the United Nations in New York and the Israeli Embassy in Washington as part of their hands-on opportunity.

There, they were briefed on international ethnic conflicts and resolution strategies and used that knowledge to organize and present a conference called "Seeking Solutions for International Conflicts." The all-day conference included discussion from three expert panels and was attended by more than 100 people.

The International Studies program is

currently planning a study abroad opportunity for the minimester during winter break of the coming year. Participating students will spend three and a half weeks in Copenhagen studying European politics. The trip also will include day trips to other sites and cities in surrounding countries, including Berlin.

CPS Executive Director Nancy Shapiro says that offering scholars the opportunity to go places as students is helping to ensure that they will go places as graduates. Because these learning situations make lasting impressions on students, the knowledge gained is enduring and not lost in the "memory dump" that frequently occurs after exams.

"The active learning strategies used by CPS faculty are designed to act as catalysts for a lifetime of learning," says Shapiro.

—GRETCHEN FOX

Hillary Clinton Draws Record Crowd at Spring Commencement

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you're an apathetic Generation X-er, if you're over 40, you're a self-indulgent baby-boomer; if you're a liberal, you're a bleeding heart; and, if

you're a conservative, you have no heart.

"And if you're the current sitting President, you're all of the above, depending on what day it is. And, if you're the wife of the current sitting

President, well, you just better make sure your hair is in place."

Clinton took time to congratulate the women's lacrosse team and said she planned to seek out the infamous Testudo statue and rub its nose for good luck.

In addition to providing the Commencement address, Clinton was given an honorary Doctorate of Public Service.

Other honorary degree recipients included Nobel laureate Yuan Tseh Lee and engineering

alumnus Robert Fischel.

Former U.S. ambassador to Switzerland Joseph Gildenhorn was presented the 1996 Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Gildenhorn and his wife Alma, Pres. William E. Kirwan announced at the Commencement ceremony, have provided the university with its first Leadership Gift, in the amount of \$2 million. (See story page 2.)

A recital hall in the forthcoming Maryland Center for the Performing Arts will be named in honor of the couple.

Another gift was presented to the university by the Class of 1996. Speaking on behalf of the class, Robert Kuklewicz announced that \$37,000 had been pledged toward a new fountain. The fountain is to be placed in the center of the future traffic circle at the West Gate entrance at Stadium Drive.

Having a prominent Commencement speaker such as Clinton, says Carolyn Ent, director of special events, "heightens the excitement." Ent, who has been with the university for 10 years and worked on 20 commencements, says this year's was the largest Commencement the university has had to date.

But the ceremony came with more than its fair share of logistical and security matters to consider.

According to Ent, because of the first lady's busy schedule, arrangements

with the Secret Service were not finalized until shortly before the event.

With this in mind, the campus police called the Secret Service well in advance to learn what security measures to take.

But that doesn't mean the Secret Service was not doing some planning of its own.

At one point, says Ent, they called to ask her who would be on the podium with Clinton. "I had to give them names and social security numbers," says Ent.

Ent also made sure she had extra caps and gowns available on Commencement day.

The academic robes were not for forgetful faculty or students. Rather, they were for the Secret Service agents who dressed the part and sat both on the stage and among the students.

Ent says that Clinton did not arrive at the last moment nor did she disappear immediately after the ceremony.

Instead, she spent nearly a half hour with Kirwan, the faculty and administrators prior to the processional.

Afterwards, she lingered briefly to talk and even took a call from the President.

—JENNIFER HAWES



Cole Field House was packed on Commencement Day.

International Music Lovers Unite at Rossborough Festival

At the University of Maryland, summer has become synonymous with the Rossborough Festival.

Organized by the Maryland Summer Institute for the Creative and Performing Arts, Continuing Education, Summer and Special Programs, this musical tradition continues in 1996 with events related to two major projects: The National Orchestral Institute (NOI) and the William Kapell International Piano Competition and Festival.

The NOI combines the vitality of



Starr-Kim-Boeckheler Piano Trio

youth with the glories of symphony performances.

Described by the Washington Post as "one of the best symphony orchestras in the United States," the NOI Philharmonic features 90 of the nation's most outstanding collegiate instrumentalists on the threshold of their professional careers.

While in residence here these young artists study under internationally acclaimed conductors and principal musicians from major North American orchestras.

The NOI Philharmonic kicked off its 19th annual edition with a June 15 concert and will continue to delight audiences with two more concerts in Tawes Theatre.

On Saturday, June 22, James Paul

conducts the music of Vaughn-Williams (Overture to "The Wasps"), Copland ("Appalachian Spring Suite") and Walton ("Symphony No. 1"). The performance is at 8:15 p.m.

The following Saturday, June 29, also at 8:15 p.m., the philharmonic performs Adams' "Short Ride in a Fast Machine," Schumann's "Symphony No. 2" and Ravel's "La Valse and Daphnis" and "Chloe Suite No. 2" under the direction of Marin Alsop.

Expanding its service to the community, the NOI is offering the general public several opportunities to interact with NOI members and faculty.

On Wednesday, June 19 and Wednesday, June 26 at 7:30, the public is invited to open rehearsals of the NOI Philharmonic at Tawes Theatre.

Catch today's great artists and witness the rising stars of tomorrow at the 10-day international extravaganza of piano music, the William Kapell Piano Competition and Festival.

Beginning July 18, the festival will feature 38 competitors vying for more than \$50,000 in cash awards.

The competition jury is led by university faculty member Santiago

Rodriguez and includes Leon Bates (USA), Martin Jones (UK), Ruth Laredo (USA), Cécile Ousset (France), Nikolai Petrov (Russia) and Peter Rösel (Germany).

The Festival will include evening recitals by Misha Dichter (July 21), Oxana Yablonskaya (July 22), Jean-Yves Thibaudet (July 23), The Starr-Kim-Boeckheler Piano Trio (July 24), Dubravka Tomsic (July 25) and Robert Levin (July 26).

Daytime events will include master-

classes with Dichter, Laredo, Ousset, Petrov and Tomsic; recitals by Anne Koscielnny and Rodriguez; lectures/recitals by Jones, Levin and Rosel; and a symposium: "The Pianist in the Community," moderated by Bates. New this year is a special event:

Backstage at the Kapell with competition coordinator Donald Reinhold, Wednesday, July 17 at 2 p.m. for students and 7 p.m. for adults.

Single tickets as well as full registration packets are available.



The Tawes Theatre Box Office is open Monday-Friday, noon-5 p.m., and one hour before performances, competition rounds and daytime events.

For further details on the Rossborough Festival, call 403-8370.



The National Orchestral Institute Philharmonic

Calendar of Events

June 18 - July 16

Tuesday, June 18

Peer Training: Introduction to Microsoft Excel, 6-9 p.m., Computer Science Center 3330 Computer & Space Sciences Bldg. 5-2941.*

Thursday, June 20

Institute for Systems Research

Seminar: "Design and Evaluation of Gain Scheduled Controllers: An LFT/IQC/LMI-Based Approach," Gerard Scorletti, ENSTA, Paris, 2168, A.V. Williams. 5-6634.

Peer Training: Intermediate Unix, 6-9 p.m., 3332 Computer & Space Sciences Bldg. 5-2941.*

Tuesday, June 25

Peer Training: Intermediate WordPerfect for Windows, 6-9 p.m., 3330 Computer & Space Sciences Bldg. 5-2941.*

Wednesday, June 26

Peer Training: Introduction to Windows 3.1, 6-9 p.m., 3330 Computer & Space Sciences Bldg. 5-2941.*

Thursday, June 27

Peer Training: Intermediate HTML, 6-9 p.m., 3332 Computer & Space Sciences Bldg. 5-2941.*

Monday, July 1

Peer Training: Internet Technologies, 6-9 p.m., 3332 Computer & Space Sciences Bldg. 5-2941.*

Tuesday, July 2

Peer Training: Introduction to Your WAM Account, 6-9 p.m., 3332 Computer & Space Sciences Bldg. 5-2941.*

Monday, July 8

Peer Training: Introduction to WordPerfect for Window, 6-9 p.m., 3330 Computer & Space Sciences Bldg. 5-2941.*

Tuesday, July 9

Peer Training: Introduction to HTML, 6-9 p.m., 3332 Computer & Space Sciences Bldg. 5-2941.*

Wednesday, July 10

Peer Training: Intermediate Quattro Pro for Windows, 6-9 p.m., 3330 Computer & Space Sciences Bldg. 5-2941.*

Peer Training: Introduction to Unix

6-9 p.m., 3332 Computer & Space Sciences Bldg. 5-2941.*

Calendar Guide

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State's Public Schools Get a Boost from Concerned Faculty

Three professors were honored by Pres. William E. Kirwan for going above and beyond their regular duties to help better the state's public schools.

A search committee selected Sherif Aggour, Frank Lyman and Margaret McLaughlin for the Outstanding Service to the Schools honor at a ceremony last May.

The fifth annual awards were created and sponsored by the President's Commission on School/University Cooperative Programs and the President's Office. Chair Joanne Goldsmith said the awards came about because the committee wanted to reward faculty members who give their own time to education.

The awards search committee, chaired by Honors Program Director Sandy Mack, looked for applicants who excelled in four areas: research on school issues or the implementation of research into school situations; consulting or technical assistance to schools; instruction beyond the regular course load; and products or performances that benefit the schools.

By encouraging faculty members to share their expertise, the commission could "ensure that our best scholarship, technology and research is made available to the public schools," Kirwan said in his remarks at the ceremony.

"We pushed very hard for several years to reward faculty who go beyond what their work would require," says Goldsmith, who also served on the state Board of Education for 10 years. All three of this year's honorees have lived up to the commission's expectations.

Civil engineering professor Sherif Aggour was cited for his contribution to state high school education. He has helped develop and maintain a summer engineering training course for Maryland's middle and high school teachers.

The project was originally introduced by civil engineering professor Richard McCuen in response to complaints about the lack of technological education for state high school stu-

dents. "We were finding that they were not prepared for the changes in technology," Aggour says.

Aggour's program educates teachers in the fundamentals of engineering in their math and science coursework. More than 90 state teachers have carried Aggour's expertise back to their respective schools. In fact, Carroll County has adopted the program countywide.

"We believe that this program will

have received the award, "the most important contribution is how we've helped the schools."

A more-than-full plate hasn't stopped Frank Lyman from helping people get the most out of education. Lyman works with both students and teachers from two schools as jointly appointed coordinator for the UMCP/Howard County Professional Development School Center.

Lyman's selection for the award comes at

helps them get continuity during the first few years," he says.

Although he works extensively with educators, Lyman has not forgotten the ones who education affects most — elementary school children. For the younger students, Lyman has created several teaching and learning strategies, some of which are internationally recognized.

"Think-Pair-Share" teaches children cooperative learning. The children think of answers to a problem and answer after consulting one another. Another of Lyman's strategies, "Think Trix," helps children understand the thinking process itself.

Lyman says he is honored to receive the service award because the highest academic honors usually go to scholars who do more research than field work. "A lot of masters and doctoral work is not recognized," Lyman says. "This award gives recognition to those who do outreach."

Margaret McLaughlin, associate director of the Institute for the Study of Exceptional Children and Youth in the special education department, was honored for her research and development efforts for disabled students at six Baltimore City schools.

The primary goal of her work is to improve the quality of education for all students, not just those with disabilities. "If the school works for all kids, it will work for those with disabilities," McLaughlin says. She uses her research findings to solve everyday problems within the schools.

McLaughlin says she is flattered that her colleagues selected her for the award. "I am moved that people value the work that I have done for several years for the city."

McLaughlin has been working on various collaborative projects between the campus and Baltimore City for 11 years. She also serves as co-director for the Center for Policy Research, a federally funded organization that conducts national studies on disabled children.

—TRACEY LOGSDON



Pictured above at the Presidential Awards ceremony for Outstanding Service to the Schools are, from left: Pres. William E. Kirwan; award winners Frank Lyman, Margaret McLaughlin and Sherif Aggour; and Joanne Goldsmith, president of the President's Commission on School/University Cooperative Programs.

produce a more technology literate population," says McCuen. The program is funded by grants from the Maryland Higher Education Commission solicited by Aggour and his staff.

Students use engineering basics to solve simple design problems. The one-of-a-kind design-oriented program has prompted school systems to seek information about developing similar ventures.

Aggour says that although both he and the department are "delighted" to

a good moment—he is retiring this year from the job he has held for more than 25 years.

Serving as a site-based field instructor for student teachers placed in Howard County schools, he observes and critiques their classroom strategies and offers tips to help develop their work. "I want to see that they have the best possible experience," he says.

Lyman has also developed a series of regular seminars for new teachers to aid in professional development. "It

A New, Improved Ritchie Coliseum to Open Spring 1997

Ritchie Coliseum is undergoing major renovations that will make it a modern, multi-purpose facility by Spring 1997.

According to Jay Gilchrist, director of Campus Recreation Services, the renovations were badly needed.

"The place was essentially unusable," Gilchrist says. "It was unfit for

human occupation."

The deterioration of the building became a major concern for the school by the early 1980s. Before renovations began last year, Ritchie had been closed to public use for nearly two years.

The new building could be a potential site for wrestling, gymnastics and women's volleyball as the Cole Field

House facilities are a bit much for these, Gilchrist says.

The main part of the renovated coliseum will contain 11,000 square feet of hardwood for basketball and volleyball courts.

There will be enough room for an NCAA-sized basketball court or two smaller courts, Gilchrist says. There also will be a scoreboard.

The arena also will contain roughly 1,900 seats, an increase of more than 200 from the old coliseum seating capacity. There will be added mezzanine seating across the top and additional seating in the rest of the arena.

Glen Construction will redo the landscaping for the front of the building to make a plaza area.

The entire inside of Ritchie Coliseum has been gutted up to the outside walls and a hole has been dug to install a basement. This basement will include areas for weights, fitness and martial arts activities.

The coliseum will be home to various recreational activities such as martial arts and fitness classes and possibly sessions held by the department of kinesiology.

The weight and fitness rooms will include free-weight and cardiovascular equipment such as bikes and treadmills, mirrored walls and an independent sound system in each room. The martial arts room will contain maple, hardwood floors and padded walls.

There also will be concessions for intramural games, concerts and other events in the lower level.

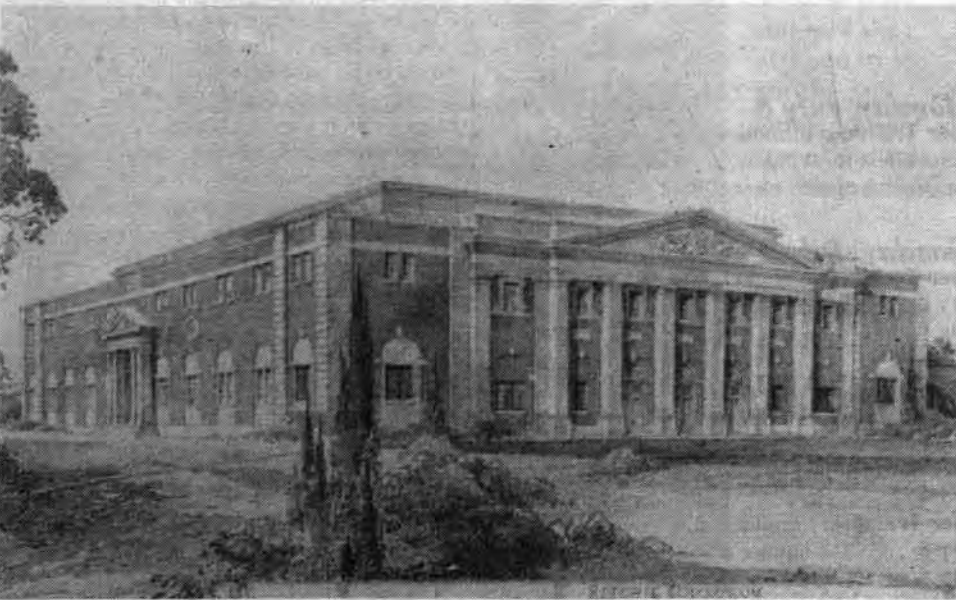
Ritchie will be the site for other student activities and programs, including concerts, dances, fundraisers and Greek activities. In addition to increased seating, the arena will have a new ticket booth, improved lighting and acoustics, and hospitality rooms for entertainers.

And because the building will be air conditioned, Conference and Visitor Services will use it for functions during the summer.

The improved building will be accessible to people with disabilities and will be open to university students, faculty, staff, alumni and others, such as spouses and dependents.

The arena, built in 1931, is the former home of the Terrapin men's basketball team.

—LOREN GOLOSKI



Ritchie Coliseum, pictured here in 1932, is getting a new look for Spring 1997.

Notable

Two university professors were recently elected into the National Academy of Sciences.

Biology professor **Elisabeth Gantt** and physics professor **Richard Webb** were chosen to join the prestigious organization at the Academy's annual meeting last April.

Gantt and Webb join 14 other campus faculty members in the Academy for their contributions to research in their respective fields.

Gantt is a pioneer in the study of plant biology, with a special emphasis on the photosynthetic properties of algae. She is the 1994 recipient of the National Academy of Sciences' Gilbert Morgan Smith Medal.

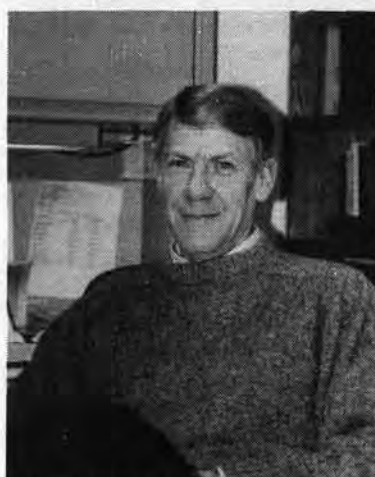
She served as the president of the American

Society for Plant Physiologists from 1988-1989.

Before coming to the University of Maryland, she was a biologist with the Smithsonian Institutions.

Webb's work deals with persistent currents in normal metal systems. He is the chair of the campus's Alford L. Ward Chair of semiconductor physics.

Prior to coming to this campus, Webb worked at IBM's Thomas J. Watson Research Center. For his work at IBM, he was awarded the American Physical Society's Oliver E. Buckley Condensed Matter Physics Prize. Webb is a three-time winner of the IBM Outstanding Technical Achievement Award.



Richard Webb



Elisabeth Gantt

John Loss has been named professor emeritus by the School of Architecture. He is the first architecture professor to hold the title at the university.

Loss joined the faculty in 1979. He founded the campus's Architecture and Engineering Performance Information Center and has conducted studies of the effects of natural disasters on buildings.

A member of the Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects, Loss has served as a consultant and lecturer for that organization. He also has his own architectural firm in addition to maintaining positions at three other universities.

He is currently advising a committee that is designing a plan for a church in Michigan.

Lawrence Sherman, professor and chair of the criminology and criminal justice

department, was awarded the annual Alumni Citation by Ohio's Denison University last month. Sherman graduated from the university in 1970.

The award is given in recognition of "outstanding achievements and services which reflect honor upon Denison University."

Sherman was cited for his research on gun crimes, which has been used in many court cases, including the Supreme Court's 1985 *Tennessee v. Garner* case.

An MPT profile of zoology professor emeritus **Eugenie Clark** won a regional Emmy award last week. "Rapture of the Deep," produced by Ken Day, was a special production of the UM System's "Maryland State of Mind" series.

Architecture student **Megan Mitchell** has been awarded the third annual Jack Kerxton Memorial Scholarship, sponsored by Kerxton's architecture firm, CHK.

In addition to the \$4,000 award, Mitchell is a paid intern with the firm this summer. Mitchell was chosen from a group of five students to receive the scholarship, which is awarded annually to a graduate student in architecture.

Government and politics professor **Vincent Morando** has been appointed to the state's Partnership Policy Council on Block Grants created by Gov. Parris Glendening in May. The council will review and analyze proposed and existing block grants in Maryland's cities.

Morando's expertise in consulting with public policymakers will enable the council to more effectively carry out block grants by minimizing costs and maximizing service. The council will also help define the responsibilities of state, local and private entities in developing and maintaining the grants.



Vincent Morando with Gov. Parris Glendening

Regents Approve Staff Adviser

The Board of Regents recently approved the addition of a staff adviser to the board and named Bowie State University's Paulette Quickley to the position.

Quickley is the outgoing chair of the Council of University System Staff and works in materials management, which includes central store receiving and the maintenance warehouse.

Quickley will serve a one-year term and participate in all general and committee meetings, but have no voting rights.

The staff adviser will stay in touch with staff desires and needs and

communicate those wishes to the board.

"As more and more issues surface regarding staff, we felt it would be a good idea to have someone on hand to communicate the staff's position to the board," Quickley says.

The position was created through a bylaws amendment similar to the one which approved a faculty adviser last December.

Quickley says that the year gap between getting the faculty and staff advisers "was a combination of timing, oversight and a desire to see how it would work out with the faculty adviser."

Powell to Speak on Campus

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Schwab says a forum of this nature is a fitting legacy for Norman Brody, who died of a sudden illness earlier this year. Brody was an avid follower of the debate surrounding major contemporary public policy issues.

He retired from the family business, Brody Bros. Distributors, Inc. which, when it was sold in 1991, was one of the region's largest independent suppliers of beauty care products.

Brody continued to be active in phil-

anthropic circles in the Washington community.

Brody's ties to the university grew strong through his wife, Florence and other members of the family who are graduates.

The Brodys have previously established two endowed funds in Jewish studies at Maryland and supported many other university projects. Funds from the Brody Family Foundation will provide the seed to establish the new forum series.



MFRI Sponsors Media Day

In conjunction with the Prince George's County Fire Department, the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute sponsored a Media Day on June 5.

Participants learned the ropes of firefighting, from safety clothing to rescue techniques.

Local media crews got a chance to photograph each other in action and learn more about the job that has been rated the second most stressful in the country by the 1995 *Jobs Rated Almanac*.

General Research and Creative and Performing Arts Awards Announced

SEMESTER RESEARCH AWARD

College of Arts & Humanities

Comparative Literature

Lanser, Susan S. Sapphists, Spinsters, Friends: Female Economics in the Long 18th Century

English

Wyatt, David Five Fires: History and Catastrophe in California Ekphrasis and Modern Poetry

History

Zilfi, Madeline C. Secularism and Identity in the Early Modern Middle East

Philosophy

Horty, John Nonmonotonic Techniques for the Formalization of Normative Reasoning
Darden, Lindley Adaptive Mutation: Challenge to Molecular Biology and Evolutionary Theory

Women's Studies

Bolles, Lynn Sun, Sea, Sand: Women Making a Living in Jamaican Tourism

College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Geography

Mitchell, Robert D. The Planting of New Virginia: Town and Country in the Eighteenth-Century Backcountry

Psychology

Alexander, Pamela C. A Typology of Male Batters: Prediction of Response to Treatment
Penner, Merrilynn Towards a Quantitative Model of Tinnitus
Hill, E. Clara The Efficacy of Dream Interpretation

Sociology

Hage, Jerald The Impact of Organizational Structures on Major Scientific Discoveries in Bio Medical Research: The Case of France

Computer, Math and Physical Sciences

Astronomy

Bell, Roger A. Modelling the Spectra of Galaxies

Computer Science

O'Leary, Dianne Numerical Image Deblurring

Physics

Greenberg, Oscar Research in Quantum Chromodynamics and Related Applications of Quantum Field Theory

College of Engineering

Mechanical Engineering

Wallace, James M. Contaminant Dispersal in the Atmospheric Surface Layer

College of Life Sciences

Biochemistry

Julin, Douglas A. Biological and Enzymological Effects of recBCD Mutations in E. Coli

Chemistry

Falvey, Daniel E. Two-Color Laser Deprotection Chemistry: New Strategies for Combinatorial Synthesis of Spatially Defined Molecular Arrays
Walters, William B. Radioactive Decay and Astrophysics at the Edge of Nuclear Stability

Zoology

Dietz, James M. Spatial Dynamics in Golden Lion Tamarins
Reaka-Kudla, Marjorie L. Land-Sea Interactions: Deforestation and Viability of Brazilian Coral Reefs

SUMMER RESEARCH AWARD

College of Arts & Humanities

Art History & Archaeology

Colantuono, Anthony European Painting and New World Missionary Culture in the Seventeenth Century
Eyo, Ekpo Okpo Ejagham-Qua Pottery
Gerstel, Sharon E.J. Painting the Sacred House

Comparative Literature

Marchetti, Gina Gender Identity in Chinese and American Film Culture

English

Levine, Robert S. Stand Still and See the Salvation: A Martin R. Delany Reader

French and Italian

Campagne, Herve The Rhetoric of Compilation in Renaissance France

History

Brooks, James F. Served Well by Plunder: Slaving Frontiers and Communities of Interest Astride the Rio Grande

Linguistics

Thornton, Rosalind Question Structures in Children with Specific Language Impairment

Music

Brooks, Christopher Tongai Nyika (Rule the Land!) The Zimbabwean Women's League as a Political, Cultural and Social Mobilizing Agent

Spanish and Portuguese

Bouvier, Virginia M. Women, Conquest, and the Production of History: Hispanic California, 1542-1840

Speech Communication

Cai, Deborah A. Intergenerational Communication in the People's Republic of China

Theater

Reese, Scot Black Directors on Directing

College of Agriculture

Animal Sciences

Russek-Cohen, Estelle Statistical Issues in Comparing Methods for Enumerating Bacteria and Other Microorganisms

Agricultural & Resource Economics

Olson, Lars J. The Economics of Resource Conservation and Extinction

Horticulture

Coleman, Gary D. A Novel Approach for Determining the Role of Oligosaccharides in Woody Plant Cold Hardiness

College of Business and Management

Accounting

Shaw, Kenneth W. The Impact of Preannouncement Information Quality on Price and Volume Reactions to Earnings Announcements

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Love of Language Leads Elliott to Japanese Teaching Program

The university soon will embark upon a very personal partnership with Japan as graduate student Melody Elliott heads for an exciting one-year teaching position in the land of the rising sun.

Elliott is one of the more than 5,000 non-Japanese participants worldwide in the 1996-97 Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Program.

Created 10 years ago to promote internationalization at the local level in Japan, JET invites young overseas graduates to assist in international exchange and foreign education in local governments and boards of education, and junior and senior high schools throughout the county.

The competitive application process for the JET program begins each fall with an extensive written application.

In February, applicants are chosen for interviews and then in early spring, successful candidates are notified.

The JET program tries to carefully prepare its participants for their year in Japan.

Elliott and her fellow JETs will attend informative orientation sessions about teaching strategies and everyday life in Japan, both here in the United States and upon arrival in Tokyo. Following the Tokyo orientation, JET participants leave for their posts throughout Japan.

As an assistant language teacher, Elliott will team teach with Japanese foreign language teachers to provide an international influence for Japanese students and motivate them to learn the English language.

Elliott has a deep interest in learning other languages and hopes to improve her Japanese while participating in the program.

As an undergraduate, she spent two years living in

St. Mary's Hall, the language immersion dormitory, in the Spanish cluster.

A former Banneker Scholar, Elliott earned her bachelor's degree in English language and literature from the university, graduating *summa cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa in 1992.

She has continued to take a variety of foreign language courses while working toward her master's degree in English.

Elliott credits her decision to apply to the JET program to her excellent Japanese teachers and her own positive experiences teaching English 101 at the university.

Ron Morse, director of international projects in the Office of Institutional Advancement encouraged Elliott to apply to the JET Program.

"Unequivocally, JET is the finest program of its kind in the world."

Morse says he is especially pleased by Elliott's assignment in Kanagawa as the state of Maryland has a sister-state relationship with Kanagawa Prefecture in Japan.

Through this partnership, Maryland and Kanagawa



Graduate student Melody Elliott will help teach English to Japanese students.

routinely participate in education, business and cultural exchanges.

Elliott hopes that this sister-state relationship will give her the opportunity to continue to participate in cultural exchange with Japan when she returns home one year from now.

— JOANNE SAIDMAN



At a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Libraries' new Electronic Reading Room, Daniel Fallon, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, does the honors, under the watchful eyes of, from left, Thomas R. Roy, procurement buyer, Danuta Nitecki, associate director of public services and Anne Scott McLeod, acting director of the Libraries.

Electronic Reading Room Opens

The new Electronic Reading Room in McKeldin Library recently opened, offering students and faculty 50 workstations with access to the University Libraries' full text electronic databases, its Web site and to more than 30 CD-ROM databases.

Daniel Fallon, vice president for academic affairs and provost, who presided over the April ribbon-cutting ceremony congratulated the staff of the University Libraries "for creating this platform to travel through the information universe." He called the room "...the 'brain' where students, faculty and countless others...will have unlimited access to the enormous wealth of information human kind has amassed over the centuries."

Danuta Nitecki, associate director for public services, was credited with making the reading room a reality.

The Electronic Reading Room, designed for individual, independent use, is located in Room 4135 and open 20 hours per week during the academic semester from 2 to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, and by special arrangements for faculty. Trained students are available to assist users.

Social Services in Public Schools

As school districts across the country experiment with bringing social service programs into the schools, the university has launched a large-scale, comprehensive evaluation study to determine whether such efforts really work to improve student achievement.

Researchers from the College of Education have teamed up with the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) for a four-year study funded by approximately \$700,000 from the U.S. Department of Education. The study will examine the impact of bringing together a range of health and social services with educational support mechanisms at schools with large at-risk populations.

The project, known as Linkages to Learning, is based at Broad Acres Elementary School in Silver Spring. Broad Acres' student body is 99 percent minority with 93 percent receiving free or reduced cost meals. A large number of students are recent immigrants in a student population that is 50 percent Hispanic, 20 percent Asian, 29 percent African American and 1 percent white.

A team of social service providers recently moved into the school to begin working with students and their families to resolve problems related to housing, food, clothing, employment, day care, health and mental health. It is the fourth site in Montgomery County to offer this arrangement, but it is the first to include an in-depth research component.

Project Director Jennifer Oppenheim says in many cases, especially with recent immigrants, families do not know about the various agencies and benefits that are available or they feel intimidated by the system and language barriers.

"The bottom line is many students are not receiving services that they need to be

healthy, alert and ready to learn," says Oppenheim. "The stresses on the family are thought to be barriers to learning."

While anecdotal evidence supports this premise, Oppenheim says there is a lack of data to document what aspects of these on-site intervention efforts are really effective in improving children's school performance. She says a few limited studies have been done in recent years, usually focusing on one type of intervention.

"This new study is a very comprehensive effort that will examine a broad range of data relating to the educational and social development of children and their families," says Oppenheim. A control school with a similar student profile will provide a basis for scientific comparison.

The Linkages to Learning Project at Broad Acres involves substantial pre- and post- intervention data collection from parents, teachers and children in kindergarten through second grade. The research team will document the children's academic achievement levels and social and emotional development. Stresses impacting the functioning of the families and the teachers will also be evaluated. Progress of the children, their families and their teachers will be tracked over three years.

In addition to the university and MCPS, partners in the project include the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services, Community Psychiatric Clinic Inc., School Health Services and the AMIGO Program. A new building is being constructed on the school property to house the service providers beginning in September 1996. The new facility will allow a physician to be on-site to provide well physicals and health education. Some health services are being provided initially by the school nurse.

Priceless Antique or Worthless Junk? Appraisers Have the Answer

Faculty, staff and College Park area residents may soon be discovering whether they own a hidden fortune. On Saturday, June 29, "Chubb's Antiques Roadshow—Discovering America's Hidden Treasures," comes to the University of Maryland, the third stop in a summer-long odyssey across the country in search of priceless or unusual items. Doors open at 9 a.m. at the Stamp Student Union's Grand Ballroom and Lounge.

Members of the public from in and around the College Park area are invited to bring any item about whose value they have always been curious (ranging from furniture and pottery to artwork and memorabilia), and learn the true worth of the item through a free appraisal by experts from the world's leading auction houses—Butterfield & Butterfield, Christie's, William Doyle Galleries, Skinner and Sotheby's. There is a limit of two items per consumer for appraisal.

"Chubb's Antiques Roadshow" is not only a search for America's hidden treasures, but an upcoming 1997 PBS series produced by WGBH-TV in Boston and underwritten by the Chubb Group of Insurance Companies.

The series, an American version of one of the BBC's most highly rated television programs, "Antiques Roadshow," will consist of 13 one-hour broadcasts, each from a different city, and will showcase the best "finds" in those cities and the stories behind those objects.

The series kicked off in Boston June 1, made a stop in



Experts from the country's leading auction houses will appraise area residents' antiques on June 29.

Philadelphia June 15 and travels from the University of Maryland to cities such as Seattle, Denver, Albuquerque, Detroit, San Antonio, Kansas City and Chicago.

At the Boston show, more than \$1 million in antiques and collectibles were appraised. While there was certainly a fair share of surprise disappointments, there were also stories of exciting finds and confirmed suspicions.

One woman brought in a large music box housed in an ornate cabinet she had been using as a doll stand. The box dated back to her great, great uncle who had purchased it in England and had it shipped to the United States. The item, which was purchased in 1898 for what would be the equivalent of \$15 in today's currency, was appraised at approximately \$15,000.

A gentleman who'd found a needlepoint sampler among the contents of an old trunk he'd purchased, questioned the value of his discovery and brought it in to be appraised. Much to his surprise, the appraiser estimated the value of the sampler at \$20,000.

For more information about the College Park stop on the roadshow, please call 314-7880.

For Your Interest

Provost Applications Sought

A university search committee is soliciting applications and nominations for the Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost position which will be vacated by Daniel Fallon in July.

As chief academic officer, the Vice President/Provost works directly with the academic and administrative deans to establish goals for campus academic program development. The position also has responsibilities in faculty and student recruitment.

The Vice President/Provost will also play a central role in the implementation of the new strategic plan, advise the campus president on tenure and promotion matters and represent the university on academic bodies including those within the University of Maryland System.

In addition to nominees from this university, the opening will be listed in the Chronicle of Higher Education and other academic publications.

Candidates should have qualifications for appointment as a tenured full professor within a campus department. Managerial experience is required, preferably as a department chair or higher. Candidates should also have a record of scholarly achievement and a commitment to meeting diversity goals.

Applications and nominations should be directed by September 10 to committee chair Charles Wellford in 1101 Main Administration Building.

Selection of the new Vice President/Provost is expected by January 15.

Libraries Establish Friends

The University Libraries have established a Friends of the Libraries program to foster financial support and visibility in a time of changing technology.

Innovations in information systems are transforming the way library collections and services are made available to the public. The Friends program will help the campus's libraries keep up with the rapidly changing times, according to members of the founding committee.

In addition to providing financial support, the program's organizers want to increase the public's aware-

ness of the role of libraries in both the university and community setting.

Faculty and staff members are encouraged to become founding members of the Friends program by sending a tax-deductible contribution of \$25 or more to help fund journal subscriptions, books and other supplies and services. Founding members will receive the libraries' newsletter, announcements and invitations to events.

More than 350 faculty and staff members have joined the Friends Program, including Pres. William E. Kirwan and football head coach Mark Duffner.

Scholarships Available for Women

The Returning Students program of the Counseling Center is offering more than \$3,000 in scholarships to adult women students.

Ten to 12 scholarships of \$300 to \$600 will be funded through the Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation to be used in the Fall 1996 semester. Applicants must be 25 years or older, full or part-time undergraduates, and have completed at least 60 credits toward their degree.

Special consideration will be given to women with demonstrated financial need or disabilities or to women who are pursuing their first undergraduate degree.

The scholarships will be used to cover partial tuition, books and fees, as well as any related child-care, internship and career-related costs.

The deadline for applications is July 12. For more information, contact Beverly Greenfeig or Barbara Goldberg at 314-7693.

Staff Conference June 21

The 15th annual Conference for Office Support Staff will take place on June 21 in the Stamp Student Union.

The theme for this year's conference is "Classified Staff: Caring, Coping, Climbing." The event will be highlighted by a luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom. Roberta Coates, classified and associate staff ombudsperson, will be the keynote speaker.

The conference is sponsored by the

Professional Concepts Exchange Committee, a subcommittee of the President's Commission on Women's Issues.

For more information and to register for the conference, contact Erinn Joyner, 3304 Marie Mount Hall.

Nominations Needed for Staff Awards

Nominations are being accepted for three annual faculty and staff awards: the President's Medal, the Associate Staff Award and the Classified Employee Award.

The President's Medal is the highest honor the university awards. It is given in recognition of service to the campus and a dedication to meeting the goals and mission of the university.

The Associate Staff and Classified Employee awards are given in recognition of exceptional performance, leadership and service to the university. The nominees should have made significant contributions to the operation of a campus administrative, academic, research or service unit and participated in campus programs or activities.

Nominees for each award must be full-time employees with at least 10 years employment (in one or more capacities) with the campus.

Letters of nomination should be submitted with the nominee's curriculum vita, resume or brief biographical sketch.

Two or three letters of recommendation are suggested. Letters of support for President's Medal nominees are requested to be from departments outside the one in which the nominee is employed.

Each packet should be submitted with a cover sheet listing the nominee's name, the corresponding award and the name of the nominator.

The deadline for all nominations is June 20. Applications should be sent to awards committee chair Linda Mabbs in care of the President's Office, 1101 Main Administration Building.

CYC Hosts Summer Camp

The Center for Young Children will host a summer day camp for 3- to 5-year-olds from July 1-Aug. 16.

The camp is recreationally based.

Children will participate in outdoor activities and sports, swimming at Cole Field House and both on- and off-campus field trips.

The camp runs from 7:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily. The cost is \$840 for the session and a \$100 non-refundable deposit will be applied to the tuition cost.

For more information, contact the Center for Young Children at 405-3158.

China Seminar Scheduled

The China Committee is hosting a seminar on sovereignty and security on June 21 at the Inn and Conference Center at University College.

The seminar, "Perceptions of Sovereignty and Security in the People's Republic of China: A Perspective on the Taiwan Strait Issue," features a keynote speech by Minister Zhou Wenzhong of the Chinese Embassy.

Two panel discussions, "Chinese Perceptions of Sovereignty" and "Chinese Security Perceptions," will be held. Susan Schwab, dean of the School of Public Affairs is chairing the first session.

Experts from several schools and institutes, including Yale University, the University of Maryland at Baltimore School of Law, the Council on U.S.-China Affairs and the U.S. Institute of Peace will serve as panel members.

For more information, call Rebecca McGinnis, China Programs coordinator, 0124 Taliaferro Hall, 405-4772.

Fourth of July Events Announced

College Park's annual Fourth of July fireworks display promises to be brilliant, with an emphasis on family activities.

The band Radio City will entertain, beginning at 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 4. Refreshments will be available in a tent near the stage in Lot 1, located across from Tawes Theatre. The fireworks will begin at approximately 9:30 p.m.

In case of rain, the fireworks display only will be moved to Friday at 9:30 p.m.

Guests are urged to remember that traffic and parking will be tight, due to construction. Leave early and use the Main Gate entrance to campus.